

Nick Smith



Nick Smith joined the University of Idaho College of Law faculty in 2022 as the director of the Entrepreneurship Law Clinic and assistant professor of law. He earned a J.D. summa cum laude from the University of Minnesota and was elected to membership in the Order of the Coif. He earned a B.A. in linguistics from Brigham Young University.

Professor Smith was a judicial law clerk for the Honorable Paul A. Magnuson of the U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota and the Honorable Michael S. Kanne of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. His private practice experience focused on business and real estate transactions. He started his private practice career at Idaho's oldest and largest law firm prior to founding his own firm. From 2016 to 2018, he lived in American Samoa, where he worked for a general business law firm. Immediately prior to joining the faculty, Professor Smith was an associate general counsel of a Boise-based technology company that went public during his tenure there.

Professor Smith's research interests include corporate social responsibility; impact investing; environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors in business decision-making; and social entrepreneurship.